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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO: Michigan Electronic Grants System *Plus* (MEGS+) Authorized

Officials and Section 31a Main Contacts

FROM: Michael W. Radke, Ph.D.////

Director, Office of Field Services

SUBJECT: 2014-15 Section 31a Program Report due July 15, 2015

Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) receiving Section 31a At-Risk funds are required to submit the 2014-15 Section 31a Program Report by **July 15, 2015**. The 2014-15 Section 31a Program Report is available in Michigan Electronic Grants System *Plus* (MEGS+) at <a href="https://mdoe.state.mi.us/MEGSPlus">https://mdoe.state.mi.us/MEGSPlus</a>. The LEA's MEGS+ Authorized Official (Level 5) or the assigned Application Administrator (Level 4) can initiate the Section 31a Program Report in MEGS+. The MEGS+ Authorized Official (Level 5) can submit the Section 31a Program Report.

For 2014-15, the following new reporting section is added in Section 1, District Compiled Report:

E: A district may use up to 100% of the funds it receives to implement schoolwide reform in schools with 40% or more of the pupils identified as at-risk by providing supplemental instructional services consistent with the School Improvement Plan.

If the 2014-15 Section 31a Program Report is not submitted by July 15, 2015, an amount equal to the LEA's Section 31a August installment will be withheld from the August State Aid payment as required by the language in Section 31a of the State School Aid Act. These funds will be forfeited if the Report is not received by September 30, 2015.

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For clarification regarding the 2014-15 Section 31a legislative changes, please review the "Section 31a State Aid Changes Review" and "Section 31a FAQ" documents posted on the Office of Field Services (OFS) website under Programs, Section 31a At-Risk at: <a href="http://www.michigan.gov/ofs">http://www.michigan.gov/ofs</a>.

Please direct questions regarding the Section 31a program and reporting requirements to Lee Craft, Section 31a Consultant, OFS Special Populations Unit, at 517-373-6066 or <a href="mailto:CraftL1@michigan.gov">CraftL1@michigan.gov</a> or to Shereen Tabrizi, Manager, OFS Special Populations Unit at <a href="mailto:TabriziS@michigan.gov">TabriziS@michigan.gov</a> Questions regarding the MEGS+ Section 31a Program Report may be directed to Judy Thelen, Analyst, at 517-335-1266 or <a href="mailto:ThelenJ8@michigan.gov">ThelenJ8@michigan.gov</a>.